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SUBJECT: ISRAELI COMMUNICATIONS TEAM ARRIVAL

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1. HAVE BEEN IN TOUCH WITH GAMASY THIS MORNING TO DISCUSS ARRIVAL AND LOCATION OF ISRAELI COMMUNICATIONS TEAM. GAMASY SAID SADAT HAD SEVERAL DAYS AGO INSTRUCTED HIM PREPARE QUARTERS FOR TEAM AS OF TODAY. HE HAS TENTATIVE LOCATIONS IN BOTH ISMAILIA AND CAIRO.

2. GAMASY HAD SOME QUESTION, HOWEVER, ABOUT TEAM'S ARRIVAL BEFORE DECISIONS ARE ACTUALLY MADE ON HOW NEGOTIATIONS WILL PROCEED. BEFORE PROVIDING ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS POSED BY ISRAELIS, GAMASY WANTED TO GET IN TOUCH WITH SADAT TO SEEK THE PRESIDENT'S INSTRUCTIONS ON WHETHER TEAM SHOULD ARRIVE TODAY OR IN NEXT FEW DAYS. HE NOTED THAT WITH ISRAELI RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS COMING UP, NOTHING MUCH IS LIKELY TO HAPPEN UNTIL AFTER OCTOBER 3. PRESIDENT MAY, HOWEVER, WANT TEAM HERE FOR "POLITICAL REASONS" EVEN IF IT WILL HAVE LITTLE OR NOTHING TO DO NEXT FEW DAYS. GAMASY PROMISED BE IN
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TOUCH WITH ME LATER TODAY AFTER HE HAS SPOKEN WITH SADAT AND WILL AT THAT TIME PROVIDE ANSWERS AS TO WHEN EGYPTIANS ARE READY TO RECEIVE ISRAELI TEAM, WHERE IT WILL BE LOCATED AND FLIGHT PATTERN.

3. I TOLD GAMASY THAT I WAS ON MY WAY TO MEET WITH SADAT ON ANOTHER MATTER AND, UNLESS GAMASY HAD SOME

OBJECTION, I WOULD ALSO RAISE THE MATTER WITH THE
PRESIDENT. GAMASY SAID HE HAD NO OBJECTION TO MY DOING
SO, BUT INDICATED HE WOULD TRY TO TELEPHONE THE PRESI-
DENT BEFORE OUR MEETING.

4. WILL ADVISE LATER TODAY GOE'S WISHES WITH RESPECT
TO ARRIVAL OF ISRAELI TEAM. EILTS

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